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FOR AF/EX

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJ: VEHICLE DISPOSAL

REF: LIBREVILLE OM1.642/26/76 AND 3/16/76

1. POST IS WELL AWARE OF RESPONSIBILITY TO DISPOSE OF VEHICLES AND HAS KEPT OPR/ST FULLY INFORMED BY OM OF REASONS FOR LACK OF PROGRESS TO DATE. (COPIES BEING POUCHED TO BUREAU).

2. TO WHIT: GOG IMPOSES UNREALISTICALLY HIGH DUTIES ON VEHICLES REGARDLESS OF AGE OR CONDITION, MAKING IT VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO SELL THEM. THIS PROBLEM IS LONG TERM, AND FILES HERE INDICATE ADMIN OFFS GOING BACK SEVERAL TOURS HAVE HAD SAME HEADACHE. GOG REFUSES TO LOWER DUTIES DESPITE PERSISTENT REQUESTS.

3. FURTHERMORE, LACK OF PARTS OR SERVICING FOR U.S. VEHICLES AND HIGH FUEL CONSUMPTION MAKE THEM UNATTRACTIVE ADS AND FLYERS WITH LITTLE SUCCESS.

4. POST HAS ALSO IN PAST SOUGHT OPR/ST ADVICE, BUT NO NEW SUGGESTIONS WERE FORTHCOMING.

5. DONATION TO MISSIONARIES BEING CONSIDERED BY MISSIONARIES AT PRESENT. ALTERNATIVE IS TO BURN VHEICLES, WHICH, IN MOST CASES, IS WARRANTED DUE TO POOR CONDITION.

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6. POST WOULD WELCOME ANY CONSTRUCTIVE SUGGESTIONS

BUREAU WOULD HAVE TO OFFER. REGARDS.DEJARNETTE

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